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POLICE INVESTIGATE ROBBERY-MURDER IN LA JOLLA

San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives are investigating the robbery-murder of a cab driver on a La Jolla street last night.

At 11:36 p.m., officers were dispatched to the 8600 block of La Jolla Scenic Drive North on reports of gunshots heard. They arrived to find a 68-year-old male deceased from several apparent gunshot wounds.

The preliminary investigation has revealed that the victim was a self-employed cab driver who was working when he was killed. Witnesses saw the cab pull to the west curb of La Jolla Scenic Drive North, and two males stepped out. There was an exchange of words and a struggle, followed by several gunshots. The suspect got into the cab and fled northbound on La Jolla Scenic Drive North. A Northern Division patrol officer located the cab (unoccupied) at 2:20 a.m. in the 1200 block of Coast Boulevard.

The victim has been identified, but his name is being withheld pending complete family notification.

At this time, there is no additional suspect information to share. Anyone with information about this case is encouraged to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477.

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